

I trust your health does not give you anxiety. You
are not over strong, and should husband your health, your
life is too valuable to be squandered. Would not an
afternoon in Madam's company do you? You know on
Ten really no better, Ten, notwithstanding our English
rate maintenance of a brace of vectors. If you can't
come please advise me beforehand, and I will show you
Phosphorus Amorphous near the station if you do not
wish to walk far. I find near here a form of R. Vir-
thomae with very large spines and heavy coils - is there
any variety likely to grow here? Proelia Arundinis is what
I dream of constantly. The sum of all my hopes is
to find it here.

With reiterated thanks for your courtesy
and kindness, and very much for the
that is your own.

Believe me

Very sincerely yours

Horace Kitchin.

Madam. Mass.
21st July 1849.

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Dear Sir,

I have just been receiving your beau-
tiful tribute to Miss Pratt. It does not surprise
me to know that you are a poet as well as a phi-
sologist. All true lovers of nature, I think, feel
at some period of their lives the divine impulse of
Poetry as felt conveying the gentle intuitions in-
spired by communion with the ideal embodied in
her lovely face. In the same confidence with which
you have honored me I venture to send you a few
of many many verses, left for any merit in them
than to show you that I am in a measure fitted
to appreciate what you would above all have men
recognize in you: the gentle heart, the fine ear, the
rheims of feeling a suggestion that prompted you
to speak thus of your friend. Mine I also have,
and will transmit my boyish impression of this na-
ture and conversation. His daughter - Carrie? - was

Smith. (St. James England) which Dr. the Empress of Russia -
they are natural & necessary for and containing great sheets &
Herald North America now: that is the situation of the chain
which the history, and which Habington, neither of which part
is this vicinity. I find the the Embroidered and a receipt
get more analysis of them with last year. I have lately sent
plants chiefly in a collection (not yet) but, and you no doubt the
month might call to mind of the Standard - better, more.

I have lately visited Cambridge. The plants are very fine, the
I think, than last year. I cannot believe they were thus natural &
good by human agency. The utility of the locality, the individual
characteristics of the new forms, especially multiplying, the various
degrees of spread in the different parts of them by means of a very
dark, perfectly good, and the fact that one of the specimens of the
shell, as you claim, and previous knowledge thereof - all this
indicates natural, but not artificial, individuality. But of this
I am not able to say more. I, and you will please con-
sider my suggestions as that of a most unpretending observer.

at our time our teacher of Botany, at Mr. Sauter's
School; a loving & beloved woman as you joined that
Village Seminary. The central figure of the Compa-
ny - Thoreau - I was privileged in walking with,
and after seeing many more I can say truly that
in the essentials of real manhood, in Courage, in Fidelity,
in fidelity to the highest I have never met with his
superior. Perhaps he had, but they were not such
as the world has noted nor those which formed the
subject of Mr. Lowell's Savage & unresonable Essay.

I have just returned from Purgatory's Swamp, hat-
ing spent lately a day in Devil's Den, near here, so
that according to Saute's order something like Para-
dit should follow: - but it will be my doom to stay
while in Purgatory. We found some Hemlock and some
fern. A. Americanum, together with what appeared
to be a new one. Taking all the specimens, deeply
impressed. The others we did not see, but I was
greatly rewarded in my disappointment by finding
in that Wetland *Stenotonia perfoliata*, *Van Longifolia* - a
flower quite new to me. May the way, Sam Head with
me to see for a copy of a list of them I have just